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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT PURSAUNT TO 37 CFR § 1.111 AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir.

This letter is responsive to the non-final Election/Restriction Office Action mailed on October 27, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application. A shortened statutory response to the Office Action was set to expire one (1) month from the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e., on November 27, 2008. Applicant has timely filed the election/restriction and has also provided an amended claim set drawn to the Group and Species as elected by the Applicant. Applicant believes that there are no fees associated with the filing of the present amendment. However, if any fees are required in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account number 23-0455 for any appropriate charges.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.